GENERAL NEWS OF INDUSTRIES

What is known in Shansokin as the "North of the Mountain" district of the Reading Coal and Iron company's coal fields has been divided into districts, the first division embracing all the collieries from Trevorton to Gilberton, and the second division embracing all the collieries from Mahanoy City to all the collieries from Mahanoy City to Gilberton, and including the Shenau-doah district collieries. Heretofore all these collieries have been embraced in one district, Montroe T. Schriffler having charge of the entire field. Under the new order Mr. Schriffler will continue as division superintendwill continue as division superintendent of the district, having charge of the collieries from Trevorton to Gilberton. Mr. Schreffier's headquarters will continue to be at Ashland. The second division will be in charge of John Skeath, of Mahony city, former district superintendent of that district. His headquarters may be at Shenandoah. David W. Price, who for the past six years has been the superintendent of the Ashland district, has been appointed assistant district, has been appointed assistant to division Superintendent, Thomas Doyle, of the Pottaville district collierles, embracing the collieries from Tre-mont to Silver Creek. Mr. Price's headquarters will be at Pottsyille. Mr. Price will be succeeded as superintendent of the Asland district by Thomas Campbell, at present inside foreman at Indian Ridge colliery, at Shenandoah, who will have his headquarters at Ashland. William Richards, inside foremon at the Boston Run colliery, has been appointed to succeed John Skenth as superintendent of the Mahanoy City district, and will have his headquarters at that place. These changes went into effect Monday.

What is known as the Otto-Hoffman roke-making process is soon to be in-troduced in this country with importroduced in this country with impor-tant results. The process is noted for producing a high grade of coke from inferior coals, and also by saving the gases and by-products of the combus-tion of the coal. The name of the com-pany represented by the above-named gentleman is the Otto Coke and Chemi-cal company with backgrade. gentleman is the Otto Coke and Chemi-cal company, with headquarters at Cleveland, the principal parties inter-ested being the Messrs. Mather, of Cleveland, and the Cambria Iron com-pany, of Johnstown. Today practi-cally the entire production of coke in the Tuited States for metallurgical the United States for metallurgical purposes is made in beehive ovens, which allows all the waste gases and other products of the combustion of the coal to escape into the air. The centre of the coke making industry is in the Connellsville region, and the fuel produced here is the standard blast fur-nace fuel. The Pocahontas Flat Top district is also a producer of high gradmetallurgical coke. The close proximity of the Connellsville region to the great centers of iron and steel manu-facture, the low price of mining the coal, and the steady demand for coke, have made the producers somewhat conservative in investigating any new processes proposed to supersede the present satisfactory, although waste-ful, beenive method. To a considerable extent the position of the Connellsville region in the matter of ovens has influenced the other producing districts throughout the country. According to the claims made for the Otto-Hoffman process all this may be changed, and inferior coal can be made to produce a high grade of coke, while at the same time giving certain valuable chemical substances which contribute in a large measure to the expense of operation.

According to the Sun Williamsport is underlaid with anthracite coal. The discovery was made last Saturday, when the workmen who are engaged in sinking an artesian well at the Eli son electric light plant found the dusky diamonds at the depth of 113 feet. A minute examination was made of these as the drill kept driving deeper and into the earth. Godfrey Hess, of the Edison company, made a miscropie investigation, and when he had finished he said: "Gentlemen, I claim that we have found a three-foot vein of anthracite coal. It may grow to be four, five or even ten feet in thickness. We must must wait for the drill to determine the depth. There is no telling what the extent of the vein is in width, but I am satisfied we have discovered anthracite coal.

On Oct. 3 the Southern Railway company will hold a meeting in Richmond, Va., which is looked forward to with a good deal of interest as it may have some bearing on the future of the Queen and Crescent. In a few months this giant system has been organized, the consolidations easily consummated, and the various interests are so pleased with the development that it is a general theme of conversation in railway circles. The Southern Railway company already operates 4,500 miles of road, and owns it, with the exception of 491 miles from Goldsboro to Atlanta, and in addition operates 150 miles of waterways. The parent line, the Richmond and Danville, in the beginning owned but 145 miles. As a result of the reorganization over thirty corporations, whose affairs and securities were interlocked in every conceivable way, and almost in hopeless confusion, are united in one company. Thirty boards of directors and thirty sets of separate accounts disappeared simultaneously.
All this has been accomplished since

MINOR INDUSTRIAL NOTES:

John Messeroll, a large shirt manufacturer of New Brunswick, N. J., on Monday, started up his factory on full time for the first time in two years.

Preparations are under way for the manufacture of cotton goods at the old Washington Mills, Gloucester City, which have been idle for three years.

Work has been resumed in the big continuous tankhouse No. 9 at the Alton, Ill., glass works. This factory will run day and night and employ 300 hands.

Trainmen on the Pennsylvania line; on October 1, donned their winter uniforms. A full suit, including overcoat, costs \$32 to \$33. Each trainman now has to pay for his own suit on nearly all roads.

Stewart & Co's. wire mills, at Easton, idle since last January, resumed operations Mondsy, having a number of orders on hand. New machinery was recently put in and more will be added, and the force will be increased.

Coxe Brothers & Co., have begun work with a force of 400 men, to drain the old Buck Mountain workings by a tunnel through the mountain. It will be eight feet high, with a spread of eight feet, and 1,300 feet in length.

The movement to have each engineer employ a fireman of his choice is gaining friends, and it is believed it will become quite general eventually. The Soo line was the first to put this plan in operation, and it has proven very satisfactory thus far. In case of strikes it is thought the engineer would have such influence over his fireman that trouble would be avoided.

At the world's congress of railway employes, to be held in Paris this month, among the subjects discussed will be the establishment of eight hours as a day's work, the creation of an international

fund, the establishment of one day of rest each week, the abandoning of running heavy goods trains on Sunday and the penof old employes when unable to

work.

The North Carolina Steel and Iron company has been reorganized. Recently the plant was inspected by Channesy F. Black, of Pennsylvania, president of the newly organized Southern Immigration and Title company, and that company, having secured centred of the plant, the furnace will soon be started up. The plant is said by competent authority to be a very visuable one. The raw material which will be used will principally be obtained from adjacent North Carolina mines. The new president, Colonel Julian S. Carr, is largely interested in a great many manufacturing enterprises.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

New York, Oct. 1.—The bears had control of the market for stocks today, and they were not slow in taking advantage of the situation. They paid special attention to American Sugar, Western Union, Burlington and Quincy and St. Paul and made out a minute sale of the prices. Sugar deington and Quincy and St. Paul and made quite an impression on prices. Sugar declined from 89% to 86%, Western Union from 87% to 86%, Burlington and Quincy from 72% to 71% and St. Paul from 62 to 61% ex. dividend of 2 per cent. The market closed weak and 1% to 2% per cent, lower on the day. Sugar scored the greatest loss. Total sales were 202,916 shares.

The range of vesterday's prices for the active stocks of the New York stock market are given below. The quotations are furnished THE TRIBUNE by G. du B. Dimmick, mannager of William Line. Allen & Co., stock brokers, 412 Spruce street, Scranton:

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Scranton Wholesale Market SCRANTON, Oct. 2. - FRUIT AND PRODUCE Dried apples per pound, 6% a7c.: evaporated apples, 10a11c. per pound; Turkish prunes, 5a5 c.: English currants, 2a2 c.: layer raisins, \$1.75a1.80; muscatels, \$1.09a 1.40 per box; new Valencias, 6a7c. per

BEANS - Marrow-fats, \$2.90 per bushel; mediums, \$1.70a1.75.
PRAS—Green, \$1.15a1.20 per bushel; split,
\$2.50a2.60; lentels, 5 to 8c, per pound.
POTATORS—65 to 70c, per bushel.
ONIONS—Bushel, 70 to 75c.

BUTTER-17c, to 23c, per lb. CHEESE-9allice, per lb. Eggs-Fresh, 18a19c.

MEATS—Haus, 121/cc.; small haus, 13.; skinned haus, 14c.; California haus, 9c.; shoulders, 8½c.; bellies, 10½c.; smoked breakfast bacon, 12½c. SMOKED BEEF—Outsides, 18½c.; sets, 15c.; insides and knuckles, 16½c. Acm-sliced smoked beef, 1 pound cans, \$2.45

dozen.

PORK-Mess at \$17; short cut, \$18

LARD-Leaf in tierces 10½; in tubs at
10¾c.; in 10-pound paila, 11½c. per pound;
5-pound paila, 11½c. per pound; 3-pound
paila, 11½c. per pound; compound hardtierces, 7½c.; tubs, 8c.; 10-pound pails,
8¾c. per pound; 5-pound pails, 8¾c. per
pound; 3-pound pails, 8¾c. per pound;
FLOUR-Minnesota retait, per parral FLOUR-Minnesota patent, per barrel. \$4,00a4,20; Ohio and Indiana amber, at \$3,25; Graham at \$3,25; rye flour, at

FEED-Mixed, per cwt., at \$1.25. GRAIN-Rye, 65e.; corn, 66 to 68c.; cata, 38 to 45c. per bushei. RYE STRAW-Per ton, \$12a14. HAY-\$14.50a16.

New York Produce Market. New York, Oct. 1 .- FLOUR - Dull,

unchanged.
WHEAT-Moderately active, firmer with Wheat—Moderately active, firmer with options; No. 3 red. store and elevator, 553/c.; aftoat, 56a56/c.; t.o. b., 57/4a57/c.; ungraded red, 50a56/c.; No. 1 northern, 633/c.; options advanced 1/c and closed firm at 1/a1/c. over Saturday, with a fairly active trade, December and May most active; sales included No. 2 red, closing, October, 55/c; December, 57/c.; May, 62/c.; stocks of grain, store and aftoat, September 29, wheat, 12,064,499 bushels; corn, 559,181 bushels; oats, 3,030,000 bushels; rye, 12,336 bushels; barley, 10,837 bushels; mait, 6,184 bushels; peas, 5,029 bushels;

10.827 bushels; mait, 6,184 bushels; peas, 5,029 bushels.

CORN-Dull, higher, with options; closing weak: No. 2, 55a554c, elevator; 55a 554c, afloat; options advanced lalige, on decrease on passage; no deliveries on continent, better west and local covering; fell 3/a4c, on realizing, closed steady at 2a14c, over Saturday, trading dull. May mostactive: October, 55½c, November, 55½c, December, 54½c, May, 54½c, OATS-Fairly active, steady; options, moderately active, easier: October, 32½c; November, 83½c; December, 35½c; May, 58c; No. 2 white, October, 25½c; spot prices, No. 2, 32½s32½c; No. 2, white, 35a55½c; No. 2 white, 34½a34½c; mixed western, 33aa4c; white do., 35a59e; white state, 35a39c.

BEEF-Quiet; family, \$10a12; extra mess.

BERF HAMS-Dull. \$18a18.50. THERCED BREF-Quiet, city extra India

mess, \$17. CUT MEATS—Quiet, steady; pickled bellies, 8½c.; pickled shoulders, 6½c.; pickled hams, 10½a10½c.; middles, nom-

LARD—Quiet, casier: western steam, closed, \$8.90; city, 8a8½c.; October, \$8.80; January, \$8.15; refined, duil, continent, \$9.10; South America, \$9.65; compound,

654.7c.
PORK—Steady, moderate demand; mess
\$14.75a.18.25; extra prime, \$13.50a.14.
BUTTER—Quiet, unchanged; state dairy14a.23c.; do, creamery, 18a.25/c.; Pennsyl,
vania do, 18a.25/c.; western dairy, 13a.17c.;
do, creamery, 15a.25c.; do, factory, 121/4a
16c.; elgins, 26c; imitation creamery, 15a.

16c.; elgins, 26c; imitation creamery, 15a
19c.
CHERSE—Quiet, steady; state large, 8a
10%c.; do. fancy white, 10%c.; do. colored,
10%c.; do. small, 8%a10%c.; part skims, 4a
8c.; full skims, 3a3%c.
Eggs—Quiet; about steady; state and
Pennsylvania, 21c; ice house, 15%a17c;
limed, 16%a17c.

Philadelphia Tallow Market.

TROUT AND FLIES

SUPERSTITIONS THAT ANGLERS IN-VARIABLY FOLLOW.

An Angler Discourses on the Taboos of the Sacred Fish-There seems to Be No Reason Why Other Balt Than Files May Not Be Used in Hooking Trout.

Angling on the Itchen, the Test and all other fashionable trout streams is governed by a rigid law that the fly is the only permissible lure. No sportsman questions the tradition, which indeed is so thoroughly established that the very poacher in the dead of night would blush at the thought of using anything grosser than an alder.

Nearly all eviquettes, howsoever difficult it may be to receive what originally gave rise to them, are rational at bottom; but this one seems an exception. There is no obvious reason why worm or gentles or the Alexandra fly or even minnow should be tabooed. At least there is none that we

Perhaps if one were venturesome enough to ask a Hampshire fisherman in what respect a minnow is offensive, we should be told that it falls into the water with a shocking splash. The splash is undeniable; but surely it is an inadequate explanation of the taboo. A minnow is not the only thing that splashes. We have seen the lightest dry fly splash abominably, to the obvious terror of the trous; and the Hampshire fisherman himself splashes, for he invariably wades, and in that act disturbs the water in half an hour more than all the minnows in the tackle shops could pos-

sibly do in a day. It is equally impossible to think that the objectionable characteristic of the minnow is that it is too killing. The minnow is not killing at all. He who could do any good with a minnow in the pellucid waters of a chalk stream would be an artist of incomparable skill. The trout usually flee an angler's minnow in a perturbation com-pared with which the author of "Salome's" displeasure with the lord chamberlain is equanimity. Can it be, then, that in ta-booing the minnow our fishermen are making a virtue of a necessity, and not countenancing it merely because it is use-less? We might incline to this conjecture, if it were not that the best managed dry fly is usually useless too. Why are our modern fishermen so fastidious as to the means by which they achieve failure?

Rumination on the gentle makes the subject darker than ever. Indeed gentles, which may be defined as maggets, wasp grubs, caddis or any other white creeping things, are treated according to a code of angling morals which is quite inexplicably arbitrary. You must not use a gentle when it is a "stone bait;" but you do a highly meritorious action when, ten min-utes afterward, he has taken to himself the wings of the greendrake and you seize him to adorn a tail. You must not use a maggot from the butchers; but you are at liberty to put a bit of white leather on a fly hook, and that oddly enough is some times a lure more deadly than the gentle, of which it is intended to be an imitation. You must not use an Alexandra, but nobody will hinder you from working with a 2-inch Jock Scott if you are fool enough to prefer that means of failure.

to prefer that means of failure.

There is, however, a reason for this particular taboo. It is founded upon a wisdom akin to that of Theophile Gautier's cat, which, hearing a parrot speak, remarked reflectively: "This is not a bird. This is a gentleman. Listen to his conversation!" In the estimate of the consciention. tious fisherman, the Alexandra fly is not a fly. It is a minnow. Its dressing of feathers looks like wings; but there are three hooks undermeath, and when the thing is in the water it has the appearance of a

Thus far the philosophy of the taboo is unimpeachable; but we can go no further. The Alexandra's resemblance to a minnow is no closer than that of a brown hackle to a spider, which is so little close that we have the audacity to doubt whether the trout feels himself to be rising at a spider when we feel that it is a spider we are of-fering him. What cause indeed have we to believe that fish take our lures in the spirit in which they are given? Is it not pretty well ascertained that there is no fly, no shrimp, no prawn which has any likeness to the blue devils, the thunder-andlightnings and other engines on which salmon willingly impale themselves? What can a trout be thinking of when it snaps at a parr tail? Let us hope that anglers will not allow this so called Nineteenth century to pass away with the premises of their science unrevised. It is high time they were considering the possibility that fish take some lures merely for the fun of the thing, or by way of resenting an insult, and not because the lures seem something

good to eat. Having gone so far in heresy, we may as well say a word for the worm. Any one caught in the act of fishing in Hampshire with a worm would be promptly expelled by his club. As he would have broken the rules, that would serve the rascal right; but really the taboo of the worm is, like crimes' acts in the eyes of the Liberal party when it is the other party which has passed them, a means of turning innocence

The worm in itself is inoffensive. Very often, especially on a bright summer day, it would be less of a failure than a fly usually is, but that should not be accounted to its discredit. The streams on which it is forbidden are so well stocked that no harm would be done, although all the fishermen on them tried worm now and then, and succeeded as often and as abundantly as their skill permitted. Successful worm fishing in a clear stream is no mean art. It might be rated higher than success with the dry fly, for while it is true that the trout as a rule prefer a worm to an insect, it is also true that to cast a worm so as to attract the fish is much more difficult than to "place" a dry fly neatly.-London Saturday Review.

Chemistry of a Tear. A tear from the eye of a representative of the Caucasian races is found to be composed of water, salt, soda, phosphate of line, phosphate of soda and mucus. From the eye of an African the elements composing the tear are found to be the same as the above, with the single exception of the phosphate of soda, and with the addition of a slight trace of ammonia. The Eskimos and the fishing Finns seldom shed tears, but when they do chemists say they

are exceedingly salty.

The chemical elements in the Caucasian tear arrange themselves into particles that look like fish bones; those from a negro's tear form a rude cross, while the same process of evaporation leaves the chemicals in an Eskimo's tear in the shape of a bow. -St. Louis Republic.

Specimen Cases.

S. H. Clifford, New Cassel, Wia., was troubled with neuralgia and rheumatism, his stomach was disordered, his liver was affected to an alarming degree, appetite fell away, and he was terribly reduced in flesh and strength. Three bottles of Electric Bitters cured him.

Edward Shepherd, Harrisburg, Ill., had a running sore on his leg of eight years' standing. Used three bottles of Electric Bitters and seven boxes of Bucklen's Arnica Salve and his leg is ound and well. John Speaker, Catawba, O., had live large fever sores on his leg, doctors and he was incurable, One bottle Electric Bitters and one box Bucklen's Arnica sive cured him entirely. Sold by Mathew Bros. drug store. hew Bros, drug store.

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IT WASN'T A DOG.

Finally the Street Car Conductor's Curioalty Was Satisfied. They stood on the crossing of Fourth avenue and Eleventh street. The old lady was completely occupied with a birdcage on each arm and the old man was obliged on each arm and the old main was obliged to deposit a parcel, two baskets and a satchel before he was able to wave the free hand at a passing car. This latter act, however, made necessary the gathering up of the bundles anew, and progress from the curb to the car was slow and painful.

The old lady, whose natural stontness was tremendously augmented by the birdcage additions, prudently took the cardoor sideways and secured a seat without mishap, though the car was somewhat crowded. Her husband, however, was only able to stagger on board, drop two satchels and a basket on the platform and gasp for

The other basket was a large covered one, and he clung to it with such solici-

tude as to excite the irritated conductor's suspicions. "What you got?" he demanded.

"None of your business."
"Yes, it is. What's in that basket?"
"I won't tell you."

"It's a dog."
"Tain't." "Cat, then?" "Tain't."

"Yes, it is. Get off the car."

"I won't," said the old man stoutly, hugging his precious basket and pushing inside the car.

"Get off, or I'll put you off," said the conductor roughly. "No dogs allowed on these cars," and he reached for the strap. "You leave that old man alone," called muscular man up toward the front. "Mind your business," snapped the con-

'He's got a dog, and he's got to get off."
"He hasn't a dog. He hasn't a dog,"
screamed the old woman, peering excited-

ly over the birdenges.
"I haven't a dog," echoed her husband.
"Leave that old man alone," yelled the
muscular passenger. "You wouldn't dare to monkey with a young man. Come out and settle it wid me."

The conductor made no reply to this seductive invitation, but by a quick move-ment he pried up the lid of the basket, in-tending to look in, but before that was possible out popped the green and solemn head of large parrot,

The new arrival calmly surveyed the as-

tonished car and then remarked: "How do you all do? Polly want a cracker? Everything goes."
This last remark may have been sug-

This last remark may have been suggested by the conductor.

He was already on the back platform, gazing pensively down Fourth avenue.

"Dog, hey?" came shrilly from behind the bird cage barricade. "Stop the car. Put us off. No dogs allowed. You pore noodle, sure 'tain't a cat?"—New York

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